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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Steve Highlander on February 2, 2009

1. Claims 8-18 and 21-25 have been canceled.

Examiner's Comment:

1. The title has been changed to –Method to produce a hybrid cell having a single mitochondrial genotype--.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Deborah Crouch, Ph.D. whose telephone number is 571-272-0727. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Fri, 6:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

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